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Applicant: Jay M. Short

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Title: Production of Enzymes Having
Desired Activities By Mutagenesis



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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION, SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT
AND PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

This Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and Supplemental Amendment is filed in connection with the above-identified application pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.114.

The submission to accompany the RCE is the Supplemental Amendment included herein.

RCE and Supplemental Amendment
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On May 10, 2002, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office issued an Advisory Action indicating that the previous after-final Amendment filed April 5, 2002 by applicant was not entered. Applicant filed a Notice of Appeal on April 5, 2002 and an Appeal Brief was originally due June 5, 2002. Applicant hereby requests a three-month extension of time for filing the Appeal Brief to September 5, 2002. Applicant is filing this RCE and Supplemental Amendment in lieu of an Appeal Brief.

Applicants hereby authorize the deduction of the RCE fee of **\$370.00** from and the three-month extension fee of **\$460.00** from Deposit Account No. 08-0219. Additionally, please charge any additional fees that may be due (except any payment of issue fees), or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-0219. Thus, the subject application is pending today, and the RCE and Supplemental Amendment submitted herewith are being timely filed.

With regard to the previous response filed on April 5, 2002, applicant requests that that previous amendment **not** be entered into the record, and instead applicant requests that the Examiner enter and consider the Supplemental Amendment presented herein.

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